



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
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## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS HUNGER ACTION MONTH IN COOK COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, every year one in six of our neighbors receives food from the Greater Chicago Food Depository's network of pantries, soup kitchens and shelters throughout Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, increasingly, the face of hunger is a person with a job, an older adult, a veteran or a child; and

**WHEREAS**, the health consequences of hunger affect the well-being of our community and limit the potential of our children; and

**WHEREAS**, September is Hunger Action Month, a 30-day nationwide campaign to raise awareness for hunger relief; and

**WHEREAS**, all Cook County residents are urged to join together to support Hunger Action Month by pledging to raise awareness for the fight against hunger in our community and by striving to improve the lives of their neighbors who struggle to put food on the table through generosity and service; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County is committed to lending direct assistance to address food access inequalities; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of these efforts, the Cook County Health & Hospitals System (CCHHS) recognizes that the health of many of our patients are impacted by lack of access to healthy and nutritious foods; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHHS is working to address this need by piloting a food insecurity screening and connecting patients with food benefit programs and local resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners believes that no one should go hungry; and joins with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to support the fight to end hunger by wearing orange pins representing the official color of Hunger Action Month.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Cook County Board Of Commissioners, that the month of September shall be recognized as ***Hunger Action Month*** throughout Cook County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Greater Chicago Food Depository.